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VALANCIA PALACE

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WHY DO WE HAVE TO BOW TO A MAN WHO'S HARDLY EVEN A COMMONER?

OH
!?

YOUR HIGHNESS.

ARE YOU GOING TO SHOW YOUR FACE TO THAT MONSTER?

OYA?
CLIMB.

SECOND IN LINE OF SUCESSION

Zanack Valrean Igana Ryle Vaiself

SHE ELIMINATED THE SLAVE TRADE AND HAS THE PEOPLE'S INTERESTS AT HEART.

IF SOMEONE LIKE THAT IS NOT A TREASURE, THAN WHAT COULD BE?

THOUGH I FEAR TO OFFEND, RENNER-SAMA IS MOST CERTAINLY NOT A MONSTER.

SHE IS A KINDHEARTED AND BEAUTIFUL PERSON WHO DESERVES TO BE CALLED CALLED THE KINGDOM'S TREASURE.

HE WANTS AN EXCUSE TO GET YOU AWAY FROM MY SIDE.

MY BROTHER IS PLANNING TO PROVOKE YOU SO HE CAN CHARGE YOU WITH GIVING HIM OFFENSE.

FU FUFU FUFU.

SO YOU DON'T SEE HER AS A MONSTER AFTER ALL.

CLIMB

YOU MUST NOT SHOW MY BROTHER ANY WEAKNESSES.

I SEE, I SEE, HOW INTERESTING.

I WILL NOT DOUBT THE FACT THAT RENNER-SAMA IS THE TREASURE OF THE KINGDOM.

THAT POINT IS UNSHAKABLE WITHIN MY HEART.

STILL, A TREASURE...

ARE YOU BLIND, OR IS HER ACTING THAT GOOD? ...DON'T YOU THINK YOU'D DO WELL TO BE A BIT MORE SUSPICIOUS?

"BIG BROTHER MIGHT TREAT YOU AS A POLITICAL TOOL,

BUT IF YOU'RE WILLING TO HELP ME, I CAN DISINHERIT YOU AND GIVE YOU A FIEF ON THE BORDERLANDS."

THEN, CAN YOU HELP ME PASS A MESSAGE TO THAT MONSTER?

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FUFUFU FUFU. WHAT A SHAME.

LET'S GO, MARQUIS RAEVEN.

...SURELY YOU JEST. I CAN HARDLY BELIEVE YOU WOULD SAY THAT SORT OF THING TO ME.

I SHALL PRETEND I DID NOT HEAR IT.

OH, YES.

MARQUIS RAEVEN ALSO THINKS THAT SHE'S A MONSTER.

YES, THE FACT IS, WE'RE ALLIES BECAUSE OUR THOUGHTS COINCIDE.

MY PRINCE-

LOOK, CLIMB. IF YOU WERE A FANATIC,

I WOULDN'T SAY THIS TO YOU

LET ME FINISH, MARQUIS RAEVEN.

"THAT PERSON IS A MONSTER."

THIS IS MY SINCERE ADVICE.

THAT'S BECAUSE ALL HER SUGGESTIONS WERE A WASTE OF TIME.

AT FIRST, I WONDERED IF IT WAS BECAUSE SHE HAD NOT LAID THE PROPER GROUNDWORK BEFOREHAND...

MY PRINCE, I UNDERSTAND THIS MIGHT OFFEND, BUT PLEASE PERMIT ME TO ASK:

IN WHAT WAY DO YOU FEEL RENNER-SAMA IS A MONSTER?

BUT ONE DAY, WHEN I WAS SPEAKING WITH MARQUIS RAEVEN, I SUDDENLY REALIZED IT.

SHE HAD PLANNED IT ALL OUT IN ADVANCE.

YES, FROM THAT POINT OF VIEW, EVERYTHING COULD BE EASILY EXPLAINED.

HOW SHE - A WOMAN WITH NO CONNECTIONS TO THE OTHER NOBLES,

WHO HAS NOT TAKEN A STEP OUTSIDE THE PALACE, COULD HAVE THE NOBLES DANCING ON HER STRINGS.

...WHAT CAN YOU CALL THAT, IF NOT A MONSTER?

RENNER-SAMA IS MOST DEFINITELY NOT THAT KIND OF PERSON.

I FEAR YOU ARE GRAVELY MISTAKEN.

HMPH.

...RENNER-SAMA IS THE KINDEST PERSON IN THIS COUNTRY.

MY EXISTENCE IS THE PROOF OF THAT.

RENNER-SAMA WERE TO RULE THE KINGDOM ...

IF

IF.....

THAT WOULD HAVE THE PEOPLE'S INTERESTS AT HEART

IT WOULD SURELY BECOME A WONDERFUL NATION

VALANCIA PALACE -
IN FRONT OF RENNER'S ROOM

WHILE THIS IS RENNER-SAMA'S WISH

I STILL FIND MYSELF RESISTANT TO THE IDEA OF ENTERING HER ROOM WITHOUT KNOCKING...

-LIKE I WAS SAYING,

PEOPLE ARE FUNDAMENTALLY FOCUSED ON THE GAINS BEFORE THEIR EYES.

HM ...

RENNER, REGARDING THAT CROP ROTATION PLAN YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT...

FRANKLY SPEAKING, I DON'T THINK IT'LL REALLY REAP THAT MUCH BENEFIT... HOW LONG WILL IT BE BEFORE IT'LL BEAR FRUIT?

AT A GUESS, I'D SAY ABOUT SIX YEARS AT A MINIMUM.

WHILE IT VARIES WITH THE CROPS IN QUESTION, I ESTIMATE THAT THERE'LL BE A HUGE INCREASE IN THE HARVEST AFTER SIX YEARS.

IF WE INCORPORAT E LIVESTOCK INTO THE PROCESS, THEY MIGHT BE EVEN HIGHER.

...IT DOES SOUND TEMPTING WHEN YOU PUT IT THAT WAY.

BUT WILL THEY BE ABLE TO BEAR THEIR LOSSES FOR THOSE SIX YEARS?

...WE COULD HAVE THE COUNTRY EXTEND THEM INTEREST-FREE LOANS

AND GET THE MONEY BACK AFTER THEY TAKE IN THEIR HARVEST. THAT OUGHT TO WORK.

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LIKE I TOLD YOU BEFORE, PEOPLE PRIORITIZE IMMEDIATE GAINS, MANY OF THEM SEEK STABILITY

EVEN IF YOU TELL THEM THEY'LL REAP BETTER HARVESTS IN SIX YEARS, THEY'RE SURE TO HESITATE.

IF THE R HARVESTS DON'T NCREASE THEN WE WON'T TAKE THE MONEY BACK.

THE IMPORTANT THING IS THAT IF THE HARVESTS DO NCREASE, THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO PAY THE MONEY BACK WITHIN FOUR YEARS.

I THINK THAT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT.

IT FEELS LIKE I'M EAVES-DROPPING ON THEM...

BUT BEING ABLE TO GUARANTEE ALL THOSE RESOURCES AFTER SIX YEARS OUGHT TO INCREASE OUR NATIONAL STRENGTH TOO...

THAT WOULD ALSO STRENGTHEN THE NOBLE FACTION, WHICH MEANS THE KING IS GOING TO COME OFF WEAKER OVERALL.

THE NOBLE FACTION WOULD LOVE THAT, BECAUSE IT WOULD WEAKEN THE KING'S POWER.

HOW ABOUT JUST COVERING THEIR LOSSES DURING THOSE SIX YEARS WITHOUT ANY EXPECTATION OF REPAYMENT?

THE NOBLES OF THE ROYAL FACTION WILL NEVER AGREE TO THAT.

ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT THOSE BIG TRADERS? EVEN THEY HAVE TIES OF THE R OWN. IF THEY CARELESSLY AID MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL FACTION

IT MIGHT AFFECT THEIR WORKING RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE OTHER FACTION

THIS IS REALLY TOUGH, LAKYUS...

THEN CAN'T WE ASK THE MERCHANTS ...

MY BROTHERS WON'T ALLOW IT.

HOW ABOUT TRYING IT IN CROWN TERRITORY?

AH...YOU MEAN THOSE ID!-

-THOSE GENTLEMEN WHO SO KINDLY LEFT THEIR WISDOM FOR YOU IN YOUR MOTHER'S BELLY?

YOUR POLICIES ARE FLAWED

BECAUSE YOU'RE BAD AT LAYING THE GROUNDWORK

WELL... I DO UNDERSTAND THAT THINGS ARE VERY DIFFICULT WHEN THERE ARE TWO BIG FACTIONS OPPOSING EACH OTHER...

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STILL, THE FACT THAT THE ROYAL FAMILY'S SO DIVIDED IS PRETTY ROUGH TOO...

ARA, SO THEY LEFT IT WITH THE KING, THEN...

BUT WE DON'T HAVE THE SAME MOTHER...

IT SEEMS THEY SENSED ME...

FORGIVE ME.

AH,

YOU CAN COME IN NOW.

IT'S OKAY, RIGHT, RENNER?

EH?

LAKYUS ALVEIN DALE AINDRA-SAMA.

SHE'S THE LEADER OF ONE OF THE TWO ADAMANTITE-RANKED ADVENTURER TEAMS IN THE KINGDOM, BLUE ROSE

SHE'S RACKED UP ENOUGH ACCOMPLISHMENTS TO REACH THE RANK OF ADAMANTITE AT THE TENDER AGE OF 19 ..

AND SHE'S RENNER-SAMA'S CLOSEST FRIEND.

MORNING

GOOD MORNING, CLIMB.

GOOD MORNING, RENNER-SAMA, AINDRA-SAMA.

NOT THERE.
HERE.
CLIMB
HOW COULD A COMMONER LIKE ME SIT AT THE SAME TABLE AS ROYALTY...
I DON'T MIND.
CLIMB'S SPECIAL, AFTER ALL ♡
...MEANIE.
WELL, CLIMB IS SPECIAL, AFTER ALL..
HE'S SPECIAL BECAUSE HE'S **YOURS.**
PLEASE DO NOT JOKE LIKE THAT, AINDRA-SAMA.
FINE, FINE, YOU REALLY ARE A STICK IN THE MUD, CLIMB.

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YOU SCARED CLIMB BECAUSE YOU DID THAT...

WHO?

SHE'S PART OF BLUE ROSE, BUT I GUESS YOU DON'T KNOW HER, CLIMB. HER NAME IS...

GOT IT, BOSS.

AND YOU ARE...

TINA-SAN

HM? DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

...MY SINCEREST APOLOGIES. MY NAME IS CLIMB. VERY PLEASED TO MEET YOU.

HAVE A SEAT AND TALK WITH US, CLIMB.

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH, RENNER-SAMA.

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WHO THE FUCK ARE YOU CALLING AN ONI

SHE OUGHT TO BE OUT GATHERING INFORMATION TODAY.

IT'S BECAUSE OF OUR ONI LEADER. IT'S ALL OUR ONI LEADER'S FAULT.

THE THREE OF US WERE SUPPOSED TO COME TO THE PALACE TOGETHER, BUT SOMEONE DUMPED A JOB ON US AT THE LAST MINUTE.

TIA DIDN'T COME, YOU KNOW.

GAGARAN AND EVILEYE DON'T REALLY LIKE FORMAL OCCASIONS EITHER... SO YOU DON'T NEED TO BE SO UPTIGHT, YOU KNOW?

STARING

I SEE... I HOPE WE'LL BE able TO MEET NEXT TIME.

HAAAH...?

NO, DON'T WORRY ABOUT US, CLIMB

SERIOUSLY, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT

HE'S TOO BIG.

IS... SOME-THING WRONG?

HONESTLY, ONCE THE SUBJECT TURNS TO CLIMB...

...WHAT'S WRONG, LAKYUS?

...HAH?

SAY, CLIMB...

LOOKS LIKE YOU REALLY LIKE THAT ARMOR, HUH.

YES.

AH, I-

QUIET, YOU.

I DIDN'T BRING TIA ALONG BECAUSE SHE'D FILL RENNER'S HEAD WITH NONSENSE.

DOES A PRINCESS EVEN NEED POCKET MONEY...

BUT YOU DIDN'T TAKE MY MONEY BACK THEN...

I STILL HAD SOME POCKET MONEY SAVED UP...

THIS IS AN EXCELLENT SUIT OF ARMOR

MY SINCEREST THANKS.

...IF YOU KNEW THAT, THEN YOU DIDN'T NEED TO GIVE IT TO HIM FOR FREE... LAKYUS, YOU DUMMY.

STILL, THAT'S TRUE. YOU WANTED TO GIVE CLIMB AN EXCELLENT SUIT OF ARMOR WITH YOUR OWN MONEY.

DO YOU USUALLY CALL PEOPLE LIKE THAT DUMMIES...

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT...

BESIDES, RENNER ASKED US TO MAKE IT, SO WE COULDN'T EXACTLY REFUSE.

IT'S ALL BECAUSE OF RENNER-SAMA THAT I'M ABLE TO WITNESS A PEACEFUL AND WARM SCENE LIKE THIS.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH, RENNER-SAMA

YOU'RE WELCOME

NOW THEN-

YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT EIGHT FINGERS, RIGHT?

IT SEEMS WE'VE DRIFTED A LITTLE OFF-TOPIC.

LET'S GET BACK TO THE POINT.

I TAKE IT?

YOU KNOW ABOUT HOW WE RAIDED THREE DRUG-CULTIVATI ON VILLAGES AND BURNED THEIR FIELDS

TINA, GIVE ME THAT.

WE FOUND THIS WHILE WE WERE BURNING THE VILLAGES.

IT'S PROBABLY AN ORDER OF SOME SORT, SO WE BROUGHT IT BACK WITH US.

CAN YOU MAKE ANY SENSE OF IT?

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WE LOOKED FOR THE DECODING TABLE, BUT UNFORTUNATELY WE COULDN'T FIND IT.

WE WERE PLANNING ON USING CHARM MAGIC ON ONE OF THE MEN WE CAPTURED WHO LOOKED LIKE HE WAS IN CHARGE...

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IT'S A SUBSTITUTION CIPHER...

I THOUGHT SO TOO

LET'S SEE... IN THE KINGDOM'S LANGUAGE,

THE FIRST WORD OF EVERY SENTENCE IS EITHER A MASCULINE, FEMININE OR NEUTER ARTICLE. THEREFORE. .

GIVE ME A MOMENT HERE.

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THIS CODE'S QUITE EASILY BROKEN, NO?

THESE ARE CODED ORDERS, RIGHT?

THOSE ARE USUALLY VERY DIRECT AND IT'S NOT LIKELY THAT THEY'LL USE DIFFICULT WORDS.

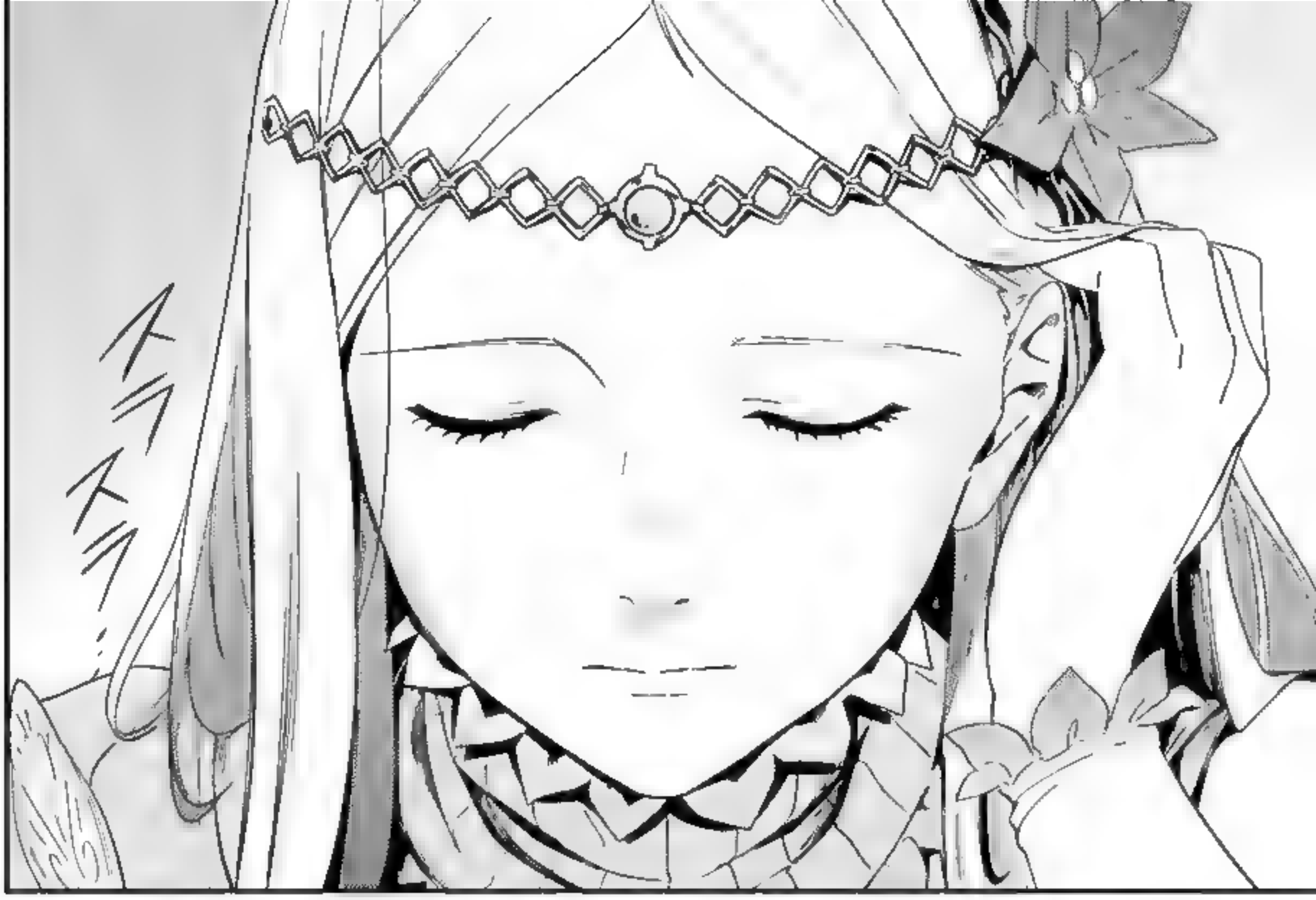
NONONO, YOU SAY IT'S EASY...

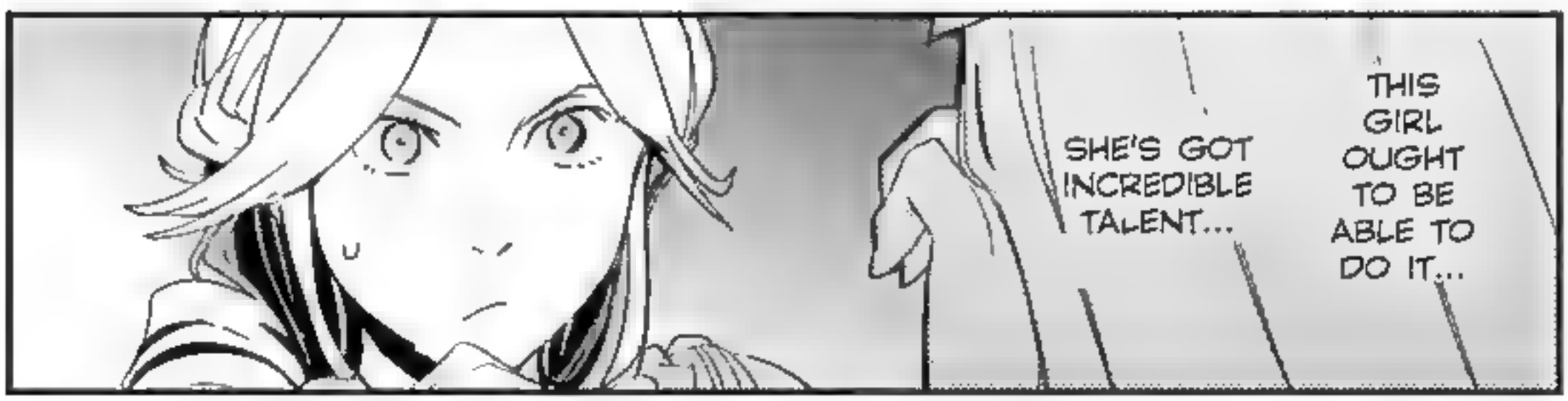
BUT SURELY IT WOULD NEED SOMEONE WHO KNEW THE FULL LANGUAGE OF THE KINGDOM, OVER TENS OF THOUSANDS OF WORDS, IN ORDER TO DO IT RIGHT?

ANYONE COULD HAVE SOLVED IT IF THEY WORKED HARD ENOUGH.

IT LOOKS TO BE A ONE-TO-ONE SUBSTITUTION CIPHER, SO IT'S QUITE AN EASY CODE.

ALSO, WE'RE LUCKY THAT IT USES THE KINGDOM'S LANGUAGE




SHE'S GOT INCREDIBLE TALENT...
THIS GIRL OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO DO IT...

HUH, SO THEY WEREN'T ORDERS AFTER ALL.
AND DONE.

IF YOU ASK ME, EIGHT FINGERS MIGHT BE A SINGLE ORGANIZATION, BUT THE FACT IS,

IT'S MORE LIKE EIGHT SEPARATE GROUPS WORKING WITH EACH OTHER, RIGHT?

RIGHT.

INSTEAD, THEY'RE THE NAMES OF VARIOUS LOCATIONS WITHIN THE ROYAL CAPITAL...?

COULD IT BE THAT THESE PLACES ARE DRUG STOREHOUSES OR IMPORTANT BASES?

HM~ I DON'T THINK SO.

THEY'RE DELIBERATELY LEAKING INFORMATION ABOUT THE OTHER DIVISIONS TO US

IN ORDER TO DRAW OUR ATTENTION AWAY FROM THEM FOR A WHILE.

SO THIS OUGHT TO BE ABOUT THE OTHER SEVEN GROUPS... OR SHOULD THEY BE CALLED DIVISIONS?

IN OTHER WORDS, THEY'D PREPARED INTELLIGENCE ON THE OTHER DIVISIONS BEFOREHAND...

WHILE I'D GUESSED THAT THEY WEREN'T EXACTLY UNITED, I DIDN'T THINK THINGS WOULD BE LIKE THIS...

WHILE WE KNOW ALL OF THIS, WE STILL NEED TO TAKE ACTION RIGHT AWAY...

IN THAT CASE...

BASTARDS.

THOSE SCUM WHO CAN ONLY THINK WITH THEIR DICKS CAN ROT IN HELL FOR ALL I CARE!

WHAT SHOULD WE DO ABOUT THAT BROTHEL?

I HEARD IT'S A PRETTY DISGUSTING PLACE WHERE YOU CAN EXPERIENCE ANYTHING YOU WANT...

WE WON'T BE ABLE TO BRING IT DOWN EASILY.

THIS IS PROBABLY THE LAST ILLEGAL BROTHEL IN THE KINGDOM...

THANKS TO RENNER ABOLISHING THE SLAVE TRADE, PLACES LIKE THESE VANISHED...

...SAY, RENNER.

WHY NOT LET US GO IN HARD AND MAKE A BIG SCENE OF THINGS?

IF YOU CAN'T USE YOUR AUTHORITY TO ORDER A SEARCH AND CAPTURE

ACCORDING TO TINA AND THE OTHERS, THEY'VE TURNED UP THE NAMES OF SEVERAL NOBLES WITH TIES TO COCCODOL,

THE HEAD OF THE SLAVE-TRAFFICKING DIVISION. HOWEVER, WE HAVEN'T VERIFIED THEM YET, SO IT'S TOO EARLY TO TAKE ACTION.

BUT WON'T DOING THAT CAUSE PROBLEMS FOR THE ALVEIN FAMILY?

THAT MIGHT BE TRUE, LAKYUS

IT'S OKAY AS LONG AS WE FIND PROOF, RIGHT?

THEN SMASHING IT WILL BE A GREAT BLOW TO THEM. WE CAN USE ANY PROOF WE FIND TO STRIKE A HARD BLOW TO THOSE NOBLES TOO.

ALSO, IF IT TURNS OUT THAT THE SLAVE-TRAFFIC KING DIVISION IS REALLY RUNNING THE BROTHEL,

EVEN SO, I DON'T THINK CLIMB COULD TAKE ON A PLACE LIKE THAT ALONE...

THE SAME GOES FOR EVERYONE IN BLUE ROSE...

I'M SORRY, CLIMB! THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT!

IT'S THE SOLE ILLEGAL BROTHEL IN THE KINGDOM! NOBODY COULD DO IT BY THEMSELVES...

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I SINCERELY APOLOGIZE FOR MY LACK OF STRENGTH.

SAY... YOU'RE THE PERSON I TRUST THE MOST IN THE WORLD, CLIMB.

I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN WORKING HARD FOR ME ALL THIS TIME.

THIS ISN'T A REQUEST, BUT AN ORDER, OKAY?

BUT YOU MUSTN'T DO ANYTHING FOOLISH.

IF ANYTHING HAPPENED TO YOU...

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IF I CAN'T TRUST THE WORDS OF THE GOLDEN PRINCESS, THEN WHO CAN I TRUST?

HONESTLY, WHAT AM I THINKING ABOUT A DEAR FRIEND?

IN THAT CASE...

EVERYTHING SHE'S DONE UNTIL NOW HAS PROVEN SHE'S NOT THAT KIND OF PERSON, NO?

IF SHE WAS DOING THAT ON PURPOSE...

AND THEN, RENNER,

CAN I BORROW CLIMB FOR A WHILE?

LET'S DISCUSS HOW TO DEAL WITH THE LOCATIONS WE'VE LEARNED ABOUT FROM THE CODE.

I'D LIKE HIM TO TELL GAGARAN AND THE OTHERS THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE TO MOVE OUT ON SHORT NOTICE-

THE STREETS OF THE ROYAL CAPITAL

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YO, CHERRY BOY!

IT'S BEEN A WHILE...

YUP, IT'S BEEN A WHILE.

MISS GAGARAN ...

AND
EVILEYE
-SAMA.

I'M HERE TO RELAY A MESSAGE FROM ALVEIN-SAMA.

"YOU MIGHT HAVE TO MOVE OUT ON SHORT NOTICE. I'LL FILL YOU IN ON THE DETAILS LATER.

BUT I HOPE YOU CAN PREPARE TO GO AT ANY TIME."

THAT'S WHAT SHE SAID.

NO, THAT'S NOT IT.

WHAT'S UP? PLANNING TO HIT ME UP FOR A QUICK FUCK?

HUH. AND SHE SENT YOU ALL THE WAY OUT HERE FOR THIS?

HM~ NOT BAD, STILL...

YOU NEED TO CONSIDER THAT SOMEONE MIGHT NEUTRALIZE THAT MOVE. IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU STARTED THINKING ABOUT FOLLOWING UP ON IT.

I HAD THE GOOD FORTUNE OF SPARRING WITH STRONOFF-SAMA TODAY.

OH, THAT ONE?

HE PRAISED THAT MOVE YOU TAUGHT ME... THAT DOWNWARDS CHOP.

YOU'RE NOT TALENTED

SO YOU NEED TO COME UP WITH A THREE-HIT COMBINATI ON.

IT NEEDS TO BE A THREE-HIT COMBO THAT YOUR ENEMY CAN'T USE TO COUNTERATTACK YOU EVEN IF THEY DEFEND AGAINST IT.

I UNDER-STAND.

COME UP WITH SOMETHING THAT PRESSURES, AND PRESSURES, AND PRESSURES YOUR OPPONENT WITHOUT STOPPING.

WHILE YOU'RE FINISHED IF SOMEONE MEMORIZES YOUR ATTACK PATTERN, IT OUGHT TO BE PRETTY EFFECTIVE AGAINST SOMEONE WHO SEES IT FOR THE FIRST TIME

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COME TO THINK OF IT...

YOU ASKED EVILEYE TO HELP YOU WITH SOMETHING BEFORE, RIGHT? MAGIC TRAINING OR SOMETHING?

MY EFFORTS WEREN'T IN VAIN. WHILE I'M NOT CONFIDENT OF BEING ABLE TO DO IT WELL,

I STILL WANT TO TRY COMING UP WITH SOMETHING TO SEE HOW IT GOES.

YOU'RE NOT TALENTED IN THAT FIELD.

KID

WORK HARD SOME-WHERE ELSE.

PEOPLE WITH TALENT HAVE IT FROM THE BEGINNING...SOME PEOPLE SAY THAT TALENT IS LIKE A BUD BEFORE IT BLOSSOMS, AND THAT ANYONE HAS IT... HMPH.

IF YOU ASK ME, THAT'S JUST WISHFUL THINKING.

A CHEAP EXCUSE THE WEAK USE TO COMFORT THEMSEKVES.

LOOKS LIKE YOU CAN'T ACCEPT THAT.

THE LEGENDS SAY HE STARTED OUT AS AN ORDINARY PERSON, WEAKER THAN EVERYONE ELSE...

BUT HE CONTINUED SWINGING HIS SWORD EVEN WHEN HE WAS WOUNDED, AND IN THE END, HE BECAME A HERO WHO WAS STRONGER THAN ANYONE ELSE

IT WAS THE SAME WITH THE FORMER LEADER OF THE THIRTEEN HEROES.

FOR HIM, IT WAS ONLY THAT HIS TALENT HAD NOT BLOSSOMED YET. IT'S NOT LIKE YOUR CASE,

YOU'VE WORKED SO HARD, BUT THAT'S ALL YOU COULD MANAGE.

YES... TALENT IS A VERY OBVIOUS THING.

THERE ARE PEOPLE WITH TALENT AND PEOPLE WITHOUT TALENT.

...I WON'T TELL YOU TO GIVE UP, BUT YOU SHOULD KNOW THIS.

GAZEF STRONOFF IS A GOOD EXAMPLE OF THAT. HE'S TALENTED.

CLIMB... CAN YOU MAKE UP THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HIM AND YOURSELF WITH HARD WORK?

OF COURSE I KNOW I'M NOT TALENTED

CLIMB

YOU SHOULDN'T BE SINGLE-MINDEDLY REACHING OUT TO THE STARS.

FOR THE SAKE OF HER WISH...

I WOULD GLADLY GIVE THIS BODY OF MINE FOR THE PRINCESS.

...AND IF YOU DIE, SOMEONE WILL WEEP FOR YOU, AM I RIGHT?

THAT UNATTAINABLE WISH WILL DESTROY YOU, YOU KNOW?

...I DOUBT YOU'LL STOP EVEN AFTER I'VE SAID ALL THAT.

YES.

FOOLISHNESS... TRULY, YOU'RE A FOOL... I DON'T UNDERSTAND AT ALL.

SO YOU WERE BULLYING CLIMB BECAUSE YOU WERE WORRIED ABOUT HIM?

WHAT'S THIS, EVILEYE?

BUT IT'S TRUE, RIGHT?

WILL YOU SHUT UP, MUSCLE-BRAIN!?

IN ANY CASE, START BY LEARNING ABOUT MAGIC.

DO YOUR BEST TO LEARN EVERYTHING YOU CAN ABOUT SPELLS UP TO THE THIRD TIER. THAT MUCH OUGHT TO BE ENOUGH.

...SAY, EVILEYE. I'VE HEARD THAT SPELLS GO UP TO THE TENTH TIER...

NOBODY CAN USE SPELLS OF THAT TIER, SO WHY IS THERE EVEN ANY INFORMATION ABOUT IT?

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HMM ...

500 YEARS AGO

THEY WERE SAID TO TOWER AS HIGH AS THE SKY AND STAND AS TALL AS DRAGONS. THE EIGHT GREED KINGS DEVASTATED THE SURROUNDING NATIONS IN AN INSTANT BEFORE DOMINATING THE WORLD WITH THEIR OVERWHELMING POWER

THE SOUND ...?

DON'T WORRY. I JUST USED A POINTLESS LITTLE ITEM.

IN THE LEGENDS OF THE PAST THERE WERE BEINGS REGARDED AS NOTHING BUT MYTHS. KNOWN AS THE EIGHT GREED KINGS.

THEY WERE SAID TO BE PEOPLE WHO STOLE THE POWER OF THE GODS, AND ACCORDING TO LEGEND, THEY USED THEIR ABSOLUTE POWER TO CONQUER THE WORLD

BUT THEIR DESIRES RAN SO DEEP THAT THEY COVETED EVEN THE POSSESSIONS OF THEIR FELLOWS, AND SO THEY FOUGHT EACH OTHER UNTIL THEY ALL DIED TOGETHER.

THEY SAY THE EIGHT GREED KINGS POSSESSED COUNTLESS POWERFUL MAGIC ITEMS.

THE MOST POWERFUL MAGIC ITEM AMONG THEM WAS THE [NAMELESS SPELLBOOK]... THAT WAS WHAT PEOPLE CALLED THAT UNIMAGINABLE GRIMOIRE.

WE KNOW ABOUT THE EXISTENCE OF TENTH-TIER SPELLS THANKS TO THAT BOOK.

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OF COURSE, HARDLY ANYONE KNOWS THE BOOK ITSELF EXISTS

SO YOU MEAN THAT INFORMATION WAS RECORDED IN THAT BOOK?

INDEED. THAT BOOK APPARENTLY RECORDED ALL THE SPELLS WHICH EXISTED.

IT WOULD EVEN RECORD NEWLY-DEVELOPED SPELLS AUTOMATICALLY

CLIMB.

AND THAT, AS THEY SAY, IS THAT, GAGARAN. GOT IT?

OHHH.

YOU SAY YOU WANT STRENGTH, BUT DON'T DO SOMETHING LIKE FORSAKING YOUR HUMANITY.

FORSAKING HUMANITY ...

YOU MEAN, LIKE DEMONS IN STORIES?

WHEN YOU BECOME UNDEAD, QUITE OFTEN, YOUR HEART AND MIND ARE WARPED AS WELL.

THE CHANGE TO THE UNDEAD STATE OFTEN AFFECTS THE SOUL AS WELL.

WHERE ONCE YOU ONLY ACTED TO FULFIL A PASSIONATE DREAM. YOUR MIND TWISTS ALONG WITH YOUR BODY, LEADING TO THE BIRTH OF A TERRIFYING MONSTER

THAT'S PART OF IT. IT ALSO INCLUDES BECOMING UNDEAD OR A MAGICAL LIFEFORM.

HUMANS AREN'T VERY STRONG TO BEGIN WITH, AFTER ALL.

THE FACT IS, THERE WERE A LOT OF NON-HUMANS AMONG THE THIRTEEN HEROES

INCIDENTALLY, THEY WERE CALLED THE THIRTEEN HEROES, BUT THERE WERE MORE OF THEM THAN THAT.

HMM INDEED, THAT'S A WORKABLE METHOD. POLYMORPHING SPELLS CAN BRIEFLY TRANSFORM YOU INTO SOMETHING ELSE.

I BET THE PRINCESS WOULD SCREAM IF SHE WOKE UP ONE MORNING AND SAW THAT CLIMB HAD TURNED INTO AN OGRE.

PLEASE GIVE ME A BREAK.

THE ORIGINAL WIELDER OF OUR LEADER'S DEMON SWORD KILINEYRAM,

THE BLACK KNIGHT WHO WIELDED THE FOUR SWORDS OF DARKNESS, WAS A HALF-BREED CHILD OF A HUMAN AND A DEMON

THE DEMON SWORD KILINEYRAM, THE MOST POWERFUL SWORD OF DARKNESS, SWORD CREATED BY CONDENSING INFINITE DARKNESS, HUH...

WELL, AH... THEY SAY THAT IF IT RELEASED ITS FULL POWER, IT COULD RELEASE ENOUGH DARK ENERGY TO SWALLOW UP AN ENTIRE COUNTRY... IS THAT TRUE?

WHAT THE HELL?

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OUR LEADER ONCE SAID SOMETHING LIKE THAT WHEN SHE WAS ALONE.

SHE WAS GRABBING HER RIGHT HAND AND GOING "ONLY A WOMAN WHO SERVES THE GODS LIKE MYSELF CAN HOLD BACK ITS FULL POWER..." AND SO ON. THEN SHE WENT ON TO SAY "IF YOU SLIP UP, MY DARK SELF FROM THE PRIMAL FONT OF ALL DARKNESS WILL DOMINATE YOUR BODY AND RELEASE THE POWER OF THE DEMON SWORD" AND SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

THAT... ISN'T COMPLETELY IMPOSSIBLE

THERE HAVE BEEN CASES WHERE SOME CURSED ITEMS SEIZED CONTROL OF THEIR WIELDERS' MINDS.

IF LAKYUS ENDS UP BEING DOMINATED, THINGS WILL BECOME QUITE TRICKY..

IT SOUNDED REALLY BAD.

...WILL RENNER-SAMA BE IN DANGER?

IS LAKYUS-SAMA BEING TAKEN OVER BY AN EVIL MAGIC ITEM?

IT'S NOT THAT WE CAN'T COUNT ON A RIVAL FOR HELP, OR RATHER, I'M NOT TOO HAPPY ABOUT IT.. STILL, SHE IS HIS NIECE, SO MAYBE IT WOULD BE BEST IF WE TOLD HIM.

I GUESS IT TAKES AN ADAMANTITE TO STOP ANOTHER ADAMANTITE.

STILL... TO THINK THAT SWORD ACTUALLY HAD POWER LIKE THAT...

SHOULD WE TELL AZUTH JUST IN CASE?

DON'T PANIC.

GIVEN HER MENTAL STRENGTH, SHE WON'T ALLOW HERSELF TO BE TAKEN OVER BEFORE SHE REALIZES IT.

I WOULD HAVE FORGOTTEN ABOUT T IF YOU HADN'T BROUGHT IT UP ALSO, THEIR COLOR SEEMS TO BE BLACK

BLACK IS ONE OF THE COLORS USED BY THE SIX GREAT GODS, SO IT'S HARDLY ANYTHING SPECIAL. FOR ALL WE KNOW, THE NEXT TEAM MIGHT BE WHITE.

-HM!?

AH! GAGARAN, SPEAKING OF WHICH,

I HEARD THERE'S A THIRD ADAMANTITE-RANKED ADVENTURER TEAM THAT CAME FROM E-RANTEL.

WHAT? REALLY? THAT'S THE FIRST TIME I HEARD OF IT.

WHITE, HUH .. WELL, I DON'T LIKE THE SLAINE THEOCRACY MUCH.

THE TRUTH IS, WE MADE A BIG RUCKUS WITH THAT INCIDENT.

YOU KNOW, THE ONE WITH THEIR SPECIAL OPS PEOPLE

...WELL, GRANTED, THEY DO WANT MY HEAD, BUT I HAVE SOME SYMPATHY FOR THE WAY THEIR COUNTRY DOES THINGS.

YOU DISLIKE THEM, GAGARAN?

DON'T YOU THINK THEIR SWORN OATH TO DEFEND HUMANITY WITH THEIR LIVES IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO, FROM THE SPECIES' POINT OF VIEW?

HAAAH? SO IT'S OKAY FOR THEM TO MASSACRE INNOCENT DEMIHUMANS AND ELVES BECAUSE OF THAT?

...THAT IS QUITE RUTHLESS... BUT DID YOU KNOW?

THE REASON WHY THERE AREN'T ANY NATIONS LIKE THAT AROUND HERE IS THANKS TO THE EFFORTS OF THE SLAINE THEOCRACY.

...WELL, I GUESS YOU WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO SAY THE SAME THING IF YOU WERE ONE OF THE FEW PEOPLE THEY SACRIFICED.

FAR AWAY FROM HERE, THERE ARE NATIONS BUILT BY DEMIHUMANS WHO SURPASS HUMANITY.

THERE ARE NATIONS WHERE HUMANS ARE LITTLE MORE THAN SLAVES.

ALSO, YOU DO KNOW IT'S QUITE LIKELY THAT THEY WERE THE ONES WHO LAID THE FOUNDATIONS FOR THE ADVENTURER'S GUILDS TOO, RIGHT?

SERIOUSLY?

WHO KNOWS? THE TRUTH IS UNCLEAR, BUT THE PROBABILITY IS VERY HIGH.

HM? AHH, YES, THAT'S RIGHT.

THEY WERE-

FORGIVE ME FOR INTERRUPTING YOU, EVILEYE-SAMA..

I WISH TO ASK ABOUT THAT NEWLY-FOUNDED ADAMANTITE-RANKED ADVENTURER TEAM.

MAY I ASK IF YOU KNOW THEIR NAMES?

MOMON.

HE'S THEIR LEADER, ALSO KNOWN AS THE BLACK HERO.

THEY DON'T SEEM TO HAVE CHOSEN A TEAM NAME YET, BUT EVERYONE CALLS THEM DARKNESS.

THEN THERE'S NABE, ALSO KNOWN AS THE BEAUTIFUL PRINCESS SHE'S AN ARCANE MAGIC CASTER. THE TEAM IS COMPOSED OF THE TWO OF THEM.

FIRST, THEY DEALT WITH THE INCIDENT WHERE THOUSANDS OF UNDEAD APPEARED IN E-RANTEL.

THEN, THEY DEFEATED THE NORTHERN GOBLIN TRIBAL ALLIANCE.

HO! JUST THE TWO OF THEM? THEY MUST HAVE SOME KIND OF KILLER TRUMP CARD, THEN.

AND? THEY OUGHT TO HAVE A PRETTY IMPRESSIVE LIST OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS, NO?

APPARENTLY, THIS WAS WHAT THEY DID IN AROUND TWO MONTHS...

WELL THAT'S... PRETTY DAMN AMAZING, ISN'T IT?

THEY WIPED OUT A DIVISION OF UNDEAD WHICH SPILLED OVER FROM THE KATZE PLAINS

AND DEFEATED AN INCREDIBLY POWERFUL VAMPIRE.

THEY PICKED A VERY RARE HERB IN THE GREAT FOREST OF TOB AND SLEW A GIGANT BASILISK.

A GIGANT BASILISK..

IT'S SKIN IS AS HARD AS MITHRIL AND IT'S QUITE POSSIBLY ONE OF THE WORST OPPONENTS ANYONE COULD FACE

T- POSSESSES A PETRIFYING GAZE AND POISON THAT CAUSES INSTANT DEATH.

HOWEVER ...

YOU CAN'T REALLY SAY IT WAS JUST THE TWO OF THEM.

THEY APPARENTLY SUBDUED THE WISE KING OF THE FOREST AND MADE IT THEIR MINION.

...THE WISE KING OF THE FOREST?

YEAH, THAT'S REALLY INCREDIBLE AND ALL...

BUT YOU CAN'T BEAT GIGANT BASILISKS WITH JUST A WARRIOR AND AN ARCANE MAGIC CASTER, RIGHT?

WHAT ABOUT HEALING AND RECOVERY?

AH! PARDON ME.

I'M NOT TOO CLEAR ABOUT IT MYSELF THEY SAY IT'S A MAGICAL BEAST THAT'S LIVED IN THE GREAT FOREST OF TOB FOR A LONG TIME.

IT WAS SO POWERFUL THAT NOBODY EVEN KNEW WHAT IT LOOKED LIKE. SOME OF MY ACQUAINTANCES ...

YES, THEY WENT TO THE GREAT FOREST 200 YEARS AGO, AND THEY DIDN'T SEE IT.

200 YEARS AGO?

SURELY SHE MUST BE KIDDING...

...STILL, "BEAUTIFUL PRINCESS" IS A PRETTY EMBARRASSING NAME ISN'T IT?

I TRUST SHE LIVES UP TO IT?

THEY SAY NABE'S QUITE PRETTY HERSELF.

IF MY INFORMATION IS CORRECT ...

THAT'S WHAT SHE SAID.

BEAUTY IS IN THE EYE OF THE BEHOLDER.

TO ME, THERE IS NOBODY MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN RENNER-SAMA.

SHE CAN RIVAL THE KINGDOM'S GOLDEN PRINCESS

AH, I GUESS.

HM, WE'VE SPENT A BIT TOO LONG ON IDLE CHATTER. SORRY FOR MAKING YOU SIT THROUGH THIS WITH US.

AFTER THIS, WE'RE GOING TO FOLLOW LAKYUS' INSTRUCTIONS AND PREPARE OURSELVES.

MM. THEN WE'LL LEAVE OUR LEADER TO YOU. SEE YOU AROUND, CHERRY BOY.

...SPEAKING OF WHICH, YOU OUGHT TO MAKE SURE YOU'RE FULLY GEARED UP.

THAT'S NOT YOUR USUAL SWORD AT YOUR WAIST, IS IT?

YES, IT'S A SPARE.

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ALSO, YOU STILL HAVE THE ITEM I GAVE YOU, RIGHT?

YOU MEAN THE BELLS?

YES, THEY'RE HERE.

IT'S A BASIC PRINCIPLE FOR ANY ADVENTURER - ESPECIALLY A WARRIOR.

SOMETHING MIGHT COME UP, SO IT MIGHT BE BEST TO KEEP YOUR SWORD ON YOU, NO?

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BUT SOMETIMES, THINGS MAY TURN BAD.

WE WARRIORS CAN ONLY SWING OUR WEAPONS.

KEEP THIS IN MIND.

THEY ARE? THAT'S GOOD.

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大好評発売中!!

I UNDER-STAND.

YOU NEED TO OBTAIN ALL KINDS OF MAGIC ITEMS AND HOLD ONTO THEM, GOT IT?

ALSO, MAKE SURE TO KEEP AT LEAST THREE HEALING POTIONS ON YOU. THEY'VE SAVED MY LIFE BEFORE.

WHEN THAT HAPPENS, MAGIC ITEMS WILL HELP MAKE UP FOR THAT.

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...
SORRY FOR STOPPING YOU.

BUT WHAT I WANT TO SAY IS:

"DON'T SLACK OFF ON YOUR PREPARATIONS AND ALERTNESS".

AW, GIVE ME A BREAK.

...YOU'RE BEING SURPRISINGLY THOUGHTFUL.

I UNDER-STAND.

NOW
THEN

EVERYONE'S HERE.

SO LET'S PROCEED WITH THE REGULAR MEETING.

THERE ARE SEVERAL TOPICS TO BE ADDRESSED THIS TIME ROUND.

THE FIRST OF THEM TO BE DEALT WITH IS...

HILMA.

I'M HERE

THE WRITHING FINGERS GROPE WITHIN THE DARKNESS

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